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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of :
Peter Jozef Leo HESPEL : ORAL CREATINE
International Application : SUPPLEMENTATION FOR
No. PCT/EP99/09137 : TREATING OR PREVENTING
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

✓ Please cancel original claims 1-8 and rewrite them as new claims 9-18 as

follows:

a' 9 A therapeutic preparation for treating or preventing muscle disuse syndrome, comprising a suitable carrier, diluent or excipient and an effective amount of one or more creatine compounds.